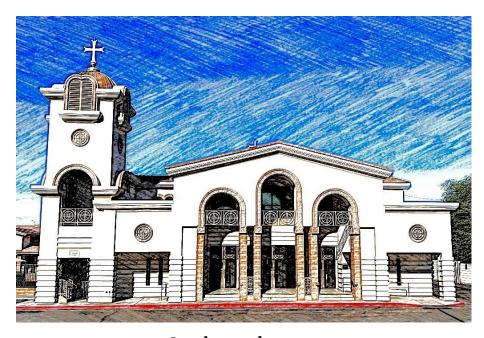
# Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church



# October 15th, 2023 Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council

# **Mission Statement**

To Engage, Serve, and Enrich the lives of Orthodox Christians, through Word, Worship, and Outreach, and to Welcome all people to live the Orthodox Christian way of life.

# Our Clergy:

Fr. Timothy Pavlatos, Proistamenos Fr. Philip Armstrong, Priest Emeritus Fr. Demetrios Kavouras, Priest Emeritus

#### Contact Us:

480-899-3330 · office@st-katherine.org · www.stkatherineaz.org

#### **Church Office Hours:**

Tuesday-Thursday 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Closed 12:00-1:00 p.m. for lunch Fr. Timothy is off on Thursdays.

Metropolis of San Francisco / Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America

#### Hymns at the Small Entrance

## **Resurrection Apolytikion**

When You descended unto death, O Life Immortal, then You slayed Hades with the lightning of Your Divinity. And when You also raised the dead out of the netherworld, all the powers of the heavens were crying out: O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory be to You.

Ότε κατῆλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ ζωὴ ἡ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας, τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῆς θεότητος· ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκραύγαζον· Ζωοδότα Χριστέ, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

# Apolytikion of the Holy Fathers

Most glorified art Thou, O Christ our God, Who hast established our Fathers as luminous stars upon the earth, and through them didst guide us all to the true Faith. O Most Merciful One, glory be to Thee.

Ύπερδεδοξασμένος εἶ, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ φωστῆρας ἐπὶ γῆς τοὺς Πατέρας ἡμῶν θεμελιώσας, καὶ δι' αὐτῶν πρὸς τὴν ἀληθινὴν πίστιν, πάντας ἡμᾶς ὁδηγήσας πολυεύσπλαγχνε, δόξα σοι.

#### Apolytikion of St. Katherine

Let us sing the praise of the Bride of Christ renown, \* the Patroness of Sinai, Katherine Divine. \* Our assistance and protection, \* for she has brilliantly subdued, \* the impious refined, by the power of the Spirit. \* She was crowned as a martyr of the Lord, \* and for all, she entreats His great mercy.

Τὴν πανεύφημον νύμφην Χριστοῦ ὑμνήσωμεν, Αἰκατερῖναν τὴν θείαν καὶ πολιοῦχον Σινᾶ, τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν καὶ ἀντίληψιν, ὅτι ἐφίμωσε λαμπρῶς, τοὺς κομψοὺς τῶν ἀσεβῶν, τοῦ Πνεύματος τῇ μαχαίρα, καὶ νῦν ὡς Μάρτυς στεφθεῖσα, αἰτεῖται πᾶσι τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

#### Kontakion

A protection of Christians unshamable, intercessor to our holy Maker unwavering, please reject not the prayerful cries of those who are in sin. Instead, come to us, for you are good; your loving help bring unto us, who are crying in faith to you: Hasten to intercede and speed now to supplicate, as a protection for all time, Theotokos, for those who honor you.

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδῃς, ἁμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

# Epistle Reading: Titus 3:8-15

Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned.

When I send Artemas or Tychicos to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good

deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful.

All who are with me send greeting to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

#### **Títov 3:8-15**

Τέκνον Τίτε, πιστὸς ὁ λόγος, καὶ περὶ τούτων βούλομαί σε διαβεβαιοῦσθαι, ἵνα φροντίζωσιν καλῶν ἔργων προΐστασθαι οἱ πεπιστευκότες θεῶ. ταῦτά ἐστιν καλὰ καὶ ὠφέλιμα τοῖς ἀνθρώποις · μωρὰς δὲ ζητήσεις καὶ γενεαλογίας καὶ ἔριν καὶ μάχας νομικὰς περιίστασο, εἰσὶν γὰρ ἀνωφελεῖς καὶ μάταιοι. αιρετικὸν ἄνθρωπον μετὰ μίαν καὶ δευτέραν νουθεσίαν παραιτοῦ, εἰδὼς ὅτι ἐξέστραπται ὁ τοιοῦτος καὶ άμαρτάνει, ὢν αὐτοκατάκριτος. Όταν πέμψω Άρτεμᾶν πρὸς σὲ ἢ Τυχικόν, σπούδασον ἐλθεῖν πρός με είς Νικόπολιν, έκεῖ γὰρ κέκρικα παραχειμάσαι. Ζηνᾶν τὸν νομικὸν καὶ Ἀπολλῶν σπουδαίως πρόπεμψον, ἵνα μηδὲν αὐτοῖς λείπη. μανθανέτωσαν δὲ καὶ οἱ ἡμέτεροι καλῶν ἔργων προΐστασθαι εἰς τὰς ἀναγκαίας χρείας, ἴνα μὴ ὦσιν ἄκαρποι. Ἀσπάζονταί σε οἱ μετ ἐμοῦ πάντες. Ἅσπασαι τοὺς φιλοῦντας ἡμᾶς ἐν πίστει. ἡ χάρις μετὰ πάντων ὑμῶν.

# Gospel Reading: Luke 8:5-15

The Lord said this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold." And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience." As he said these things, he cried out "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

#### Λουκᾶν 8:5-15

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τήν παραβολὴν ταύτην· Ἐξῆλθεν ὁ σπείρων τοῦ σπεῖραι τὸν σπόρον αὐτοῦ. καὶ ἐν τῷ σπείρειν αὐτὸν ὃ μὲν ἔπεσε παρὰ τὴν ὁδόν, καὶ κατεπατήθη, καὶ τὰ πετεινὰ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ κατέφαγεν αὐτό· καὶ ἔτερον ἔπεσεν ἐπὶ τὴν πέτραν, καὶ φυὲν ἐξηράνθη διὰ τὸ μὴ ἔχειν ἰκμάδα· καὶ ἔτερον ἔπεσεν έν μέσω τῶν ἀκανθῶν, καὶ συμφυεῖσαι αἱ ἄκανθαι ἀπέπνιξαν αὐτό, καὶ ἔτερον ἔπεσεν εἰς τὴν γῆν τὴν ἀγαθήν, καὶ φυὲν ἐποίησε καρπὸν κατονταπλασίονα. ταῦτα λέγων ἐφώνει∙ ὁ ἔχων ὧτα ἀκούειν άκουέτω. Έπηρώτων δὲ αὐτὸν οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ λέγοντες· τίς εἵη ἡ παραβολὴ αὕτη; ὁ δὲ εἶπεν· ὑμῖν δέδοται γνῶναι τὰ μυστήρια τῆς βασιλείας τοῦ Θεοῦ, τοῖς δὲ λοιποῖς ἐν παραβολαῖς, ἵνα βλέποντες μὴ βλέπωσι καὶ ἀκούοντες μὴ συνιῶσιν. ἔστι δὲ αὕτη ἡ παραβολή· ὁ σπόρος ἐστὶν ὁ λόγος τοῦ Θεοῦ· οἱ δὲ παρὰ τὴν ὁδόν εἰσιν οἱ ἀκούσαντες, εἶτα ἔρχεται ὁ διάβολος καὶ αἴρει τὸν λόγον ἀπὸ τῆς καρδίας αὐτῶν, ἵνα μὴ πιστεύσαντες σωθῶσιν. οἱ δὲ ἐπὶ τῆς πέτρας οἱ ὅταν ἀκούσωσι, μετὰ χαρᾶς δέχονται τὸν λόγον, καὶ οὖτοι ῥίζαν οὐκ ἔχουσιν, οἳ πρὸς καιρὸν πιστεύουσι καὶ ἐν καιρῶ πειρασμοῦ ἀφίστανται. τὸ δὲ εἰς τὰς ἀκάνθας πεσόν, οὖτοί εἰσιν οἱ ἀκούσαντες, καὶ ὑπὸ μεριμνῶν καὶ πλούτου καὶ ἡδονῶν τοῦ βίου πορευόμενοι συμπνίγονται καὶ οὐ τελεσφοροὖσι. τὸ δὲ ἐν τῆ καλῆ γῆ, οὖτοί εἰσιν οἵτινες ἐν καρδία καλῆ καὶ ἀγαθῆ ἀκούσαντες τὸν λόγον κατέχουσι καὶ καρποφοροῦσιν ἐν ὑπομονῆ. ταῦτα λέγων ἐφώνει· ὁ ἔχων ὧτα ἀκούειν ἀκουέτω. 3

#### **Today we Commemorate:**

- Lucian the Martyr of Antioch
- Savinos the Bishop of Catania
- Barsus the Confessor

Lucian the Martyr of Antioch-This Saint was from Samosata, the son of pious parents. He established a catechetical school in Antioch, and taught the correct doctrines of the Faith and made clear the parts of the divine Scriptures that were difficult to understand. He edited the Old Testament translation from the Hebrew tongue, and published it in an excellent edition, free from every heretical corruption and interpolation. He travelled to Nicomedia to strengthen the faithful there in their contests for Christ, and was accused before Maximinus, with whom he conversed openly. When he had made a defence of the Christian Faith, he was condemned to imprisonment where, in 311, he died of hunger and thirst.

# Services — Week of October 15th

Sunday, October 15th 8:15 a.m. Orthros 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, October 21st** 6:00 p.m. Great Vespers

# Welcome to Our Visitors

We welcome you with open arms and joy in our Lord , we hope your experience at St. Katherine's is a blessing for you.



Only those who are Baptized and/or Chrismated in the Orthodox faith may receive Holy Communion. If you are not Orthodox, you may approach the Chalice for a blessing. To do this, come to the chalice and simply say, "a blessing please." Orthodox Christians desiring to receive the Body of Blood of Christ must ensure proper preparation through confession (minimum 4 times a year), reconciliation in your heart with all, and observation of the fasting guidelines set forth by the Church.

If you have any questions please contact Fr. Timothy: <a href="mailto:frtimskchurch@gmail.com">frtimskchurch@gmail.com</a>

# **Helpful Information:**

Sunday Service Times: 8:15 a.m. Orthros, 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

**Sunday School:** Sunday School meets after Communion on Sunday mornings. Grades Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade meet in the 4<sup>th</sup> acre house. Grades 9-12 meet in the conference room up in the choir loft.

Fellowship Hour: Fellowship Hour is being hosted by the Parish Council.

Dean Pappas Memorial Bookstore: Open after Liturgy.

Please make every effort to arrive for services a little early. If you happen to arrive late, please observe the following moments in the Divine Liturgy when you should not enter the Nave but wait quietly in the Narthex. You may enter <u>after</u> these moments:

- The Priest censing
- The Small Entrance
- The Great Entrance
- Epistle Reading

- Gospel Reading
- The Homily
- Consecration of the Gifts
- The Lord's Prayer

#### **Confession Times:**

- Saturdays from 5:30 6:00 p.m.
- During Great Vespers immediately following the Great Censing. Please wait in the front pews closest to the Bishop's Throne.
- By appointment (Please contact the church office)

#### **Resources:**

- \*Complete Church Calendar: <a href="https://stkatherineaz.org/parish-calendar">https://stkatherineaz.org/parish-calendar</a>
- \*Sunday Homilies: <a href="https://stkatherineaz.org/homilies">https://stkatherineaz.org/homilies</a>
- \*For Orthros (Matins) Text visit: AGES Digital Chant Stand
- \*Saints, Feasts, Epistle & Gospel readings: <a href="https://www.goarch.org/chapel/calendar">https://www.goarch.org/chapel/calendar</a>
- \*Livestream on YouTube: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/">https://www.youtube.com/</a>
- @stkatherinegreekorthodoxch8030/streams

Please silence cell phones when in church.



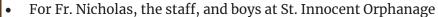
#### **Prayer Requests**

(Prayers for the living will be retained on the list for 40 days.)

I Peter 4:7 Be serious and discipline yourselves in prayer. Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you.

# Living:

- Jerry, for health and healing
- Theodora & baby Brooks
- Meaghan for bereavement
- Sophia, for healing from surgery
- Sally Ann, for health and healing
- For our catechumens and inquirers
- For our Sunday School teachers and students
- For those impacted by wars, earthquakes, floods, and fires around the world



• For all those suffering from the violence in Israel and the Orthodox Christians that live in the holy land

#### Departed:

- Koula Kotsogianni +
- Tula Dedaskalou +
- Presvytera Priscilla Shipley +

# Hrisi Parea Seniors Oktoberfest Social



Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> 11:00am – 2:00pm St. Katherine 4<sup>th</sup> Acre Patio 2716 N Dobson Road Chandler, 85224

Please join us for Fun, Fellowship & a delicious Lunch of German Pretzels, Brats, Potato Salad, Dessert & Beverages, Music, Games & Prizes - \$5.00 Donation

To RSVP text: Daryl Connell - 602-315-3159 New Members are always welcome!



#### **Bookstore Open**

Requests may be made by emailing Carol Stathopoulos at <a href="mailto:cnsgreek@aol.com">cnsgreek@aol.com</a>.

For icons please specify subject and size: 4x6", 8x10", 11x14", etc. Delivery takes 2 and 6 weeks depending on availability.

For books please specify title and author.

For all other items please describe as accurately as possible: size, materials, and quantity. We have restocked supplies such as charcoal, incense, candles, prayer cards, prayer ropes and bracelets.

Prices reflect product costs and shipping charges. Every effort is made to obtain the lowest prices for quality products. The bookstore pricing does not include a markup for profit. All bookstore personnel volunteer their time and efforts.

#### **Upcoming Events**

Mark your calendars!

The date of our next **Taverna Event** has changed to **Saturday**, **November 4th**. We will need lots of volunteer. More details coming soon!

The Fall General Assembly is scheduled for Sunday, November 5th, in the Community Center following dismissal of Liturgy. Please note: To vote at a General Assembly meeting one must be a current steward. If you have not completed a 2023 pledge card, please do so right away, so that you can participate and vote on issues affecting our parish. All stewards should make plans to attend and participate.

# St. Irene Philoptochos

Sunday, November 12, 2023 our Philoptochos will host Coffee Hour to celebrate our veterans.

All veterans and their families are invited.

Let's thank the men and women who served our country to keep us safe and free.

There will be a short program.

Veterans should wear their hats (and any other part of their uniform that still fits).

# Veteran's Day Project

St. Irene Philoptochos is hoping to compile a complete list of parishioners who have served (or are presently serving) in the US military.

If you or someone in your family are a veteran please add your name to the list in the Narthex or call the church office at 480-899-3330 during office hours to submit the name.

The information we are seeking is: Complete Name, Branch of Service, and Years of Service. Thank you for your help with this project.







# LIVING ORTHODOX - FALL RETREAT

# Thanksgiving: Living a Eucharistic Life

Join young adults (college - 30s) from across the Valley for a weekend of spiritual growth, community, and fun!

Featuring speaker presentations, hands-on liturgical workshops, iconography and music sessions, and fun off-campus social events!



# Keynote Speaker

Fr. Timothy Pavlatos has dedicated much of his time and attention to the integration of Orthodox theology and spirituality as it relates to the therapeutic process of counseling. He currently serves as priest at St. Katherine's in Chandler, Arizona, is a licenced marriage therapist, and is part of the Family Wellness Ministry.

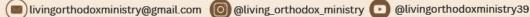
SAT-SUN. OCTOBER 28-29. 2023 HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL, PHOENIX, AZ

Register your interest and be first to know when tickets are available! https://tinyurl.com/LO-events

OR



#### FOLLOW LIVING ORTHODOX ON SOCIAL MEDIA!







When the Greeks said OXI (no)!

# **GREEK CULTURAL EVENT & GLENDI**

Sponsored by St. Barbara's Phiiloptochos

# OCT 28, 2023 | 5:00 PM

**ASSUMPTION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH** 

# TICKETS | \$20 (KIDS UNDER 10 FREE) | CASH BAR

Join us and say "YES" to OXI! http://bidpal.net/oxiday2023 FOR MORE INFORMATION: ANGELA 480-688-3591 | JOANNE 480-703-4453 | MINDY 602-741-3006

5:00-6:30 PM

YOUTH: INTERACTIVE STATIONS, CRAFTS, DANCING & MORE

ADULTS: SOCIAL HOUR 5PM-6PM
"OXI DAY ORTHODOXY IN WWII" PRESENTATION

IN THE AMPHITHEATER AT 6PM

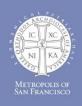
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**GREEK FOOD** 

GLENDI





The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco
FAMILY WELLNESS MINISTRY and
OFFICE OF YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS
present "REAL LIFE ~ Parenting from the Heart with
George Papageorge, M.F.T. and the FWM team

on ZOOM

PARENTING INSIGHTS INTO EMPATHY & HEALTHY BOUNDARIES

WED. OCTOBER 11 - 6:30 PM (PST)





SESSION 2:

RAISING KIDS WITH \ \ \ / EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE

PARENTING STYLES
THAT MAKE A DIFFERENCE

WED. NOVEMBER 8 - 6:30 PM (PST)



REGISTER for the zoom link: familywellnessministry.org



# **Adults Greek Language Class**

Beginners classes began October 11th on Zoom. They are held on Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:15 pm and will continue until June. Knowledge of Greek is not a prerequisite.

We use a college-level textbook and workbook that incorporates basic grammar, vocabulary, and dialogue with an emphasis on pronunciation. *Tuition is \$75 monthly payable to St. Katherine, memo: Greek Language.* 

To register: <a href="https://stkatherineaz.org/greek-language-classes">https://stkatherineaz.org/greek-language-classes</a>

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# **Our Parish Family**

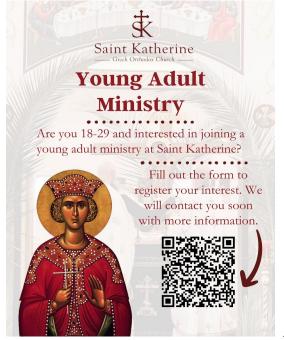
If you are new to our parish and would like to become a member, please contact our Church office: office@st-katherineaz.org or call 480-899-3330.

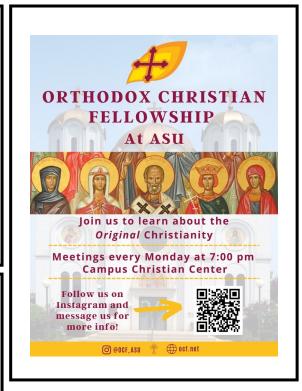
To subscribe to our newsletter please visit: <a href="https://stkatherineaz.org/">https://stkatherineaz.org/</a>

If you are visiting and/or inquiring about the Orthodox faith and are interested in learning more, please contact Fr. Timothy: <a href="mailto:frtimskchurch@gmail.com">frtimskchurch@gmail.com</a>

# **Young Adult Ministry**

St. Katherine's Young Adult group meets on Thursdays, twice a month with Fr. Timothy in a discussion group and for social gatherings. If you would like to join and are between the ages of 18-30 please contact Maximos Lang, our YAL ministry team lead: <a href="maxlang-music@gmail.com">music@gmail.com</a>.





# Catechism Class September 19th

All classes are held inside the church, on Tuesday evenings 7:00-8:15 p.m.

Register at: <a href="https://stkatherineaz.org/catechism-fall-2023-interest">https://stkatherineaz.org/catechism-fall-2023-interest</a>

# October:

17th - Holy Mysteries 1 24th - Holy Mysteries 2

#### November:

7th-The Mother of God

14th - Spirituality 1

21st -Spirituality 2

28th-Spirituality 3

#### December:

5th- Icons & Architecture \* There will be no class on October 31st.

## 2023 Stewardship Cards Available Now!

151 families have pledged \$316,350 To establish/maintain stewardship, a Stewardship Pledge Card must be completed and submitted each year. (Completing and submitting a new card



each year enables our accountant to keep accurate records.)

# Light a Virtual Candle

"I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life. (John 8:12)



At times it may not be possible to physically go to church and light a candle, so we offer this option for those who would like to make an offering of prayer and faith by lighting a virtual candle.

https://stkatherineaz.org/light-a-candle

# **New Convenient Ways to Give!**

Hover your phone camera over the QR code, which will take you to our website. From the menu, click on the Stewardship tab.

Digital payment platforms allow the church to accept stewardship, general or specific donations for any ministry. To ensure your donation is properly allocated, please make a

note in the memo indicating your wishes.



#### RECOMMENDED LEVELS OF GIVING

| PERCENT OF INCOME | 5%            |          | 8%            |          | 10%              |          |
|-------------------|---------------|----------|---------------|----------|------------------|----------|
| Annual<br>Income  | Annual Giving | Weekly   | Annual Giving | Weekly   | Annual<br>Giving | Weekly   |
| \$20.000          | \$1,000       | \$19.23  | \$1,600       | \$30.77  | \$2,000          | \$38.46  |
| \$40,000          | \$2,000       | \$38.46  | \$3,200       | \$61.54  | \$4,000          | \$76.92  |
| \$60,000          | \$3,000       | \$57.69  | \$4,800       | \$92.31  | \$6,000          | \$115.38 |
| \$80,000          | \$4,000       | \$76.92  | \$6,400       | \$123.08 | \$8,000          | \$153.85 |
| \$100,000         | \$5,000       | \$96.15  | \$8,000       | \$153.85 | \$10,000         | \$192.31 |
| \$125,000         | \$6,250       | \$120.19 | \$10,000      | \$192.31 | \$12,500         | \$240.38 |
| \$150,000         | \$7,500       | \$144.23 | \$12,000      | \$230.77 | \$15,000         | \$288.46 |
| \$200,000         | \$10,000      | \$192.31 | \$16,000      | \$307.69 | \$20,000         | \$384.62 |



"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:21